

Remarks

Following this Amendment, twenty-seven claims (2, 3-5, 16-20, 43-46, 56-60, 78, 83-84, 87-89, 93-94, 138) remain in the application, of which seven (2, 43, 78, 87, 93, 94, 138) are independent. All of these claims satisfy PCT Article 33(1)-(4). See the International Preliminary Report on Patentability mailed on March 16, 2006 (previously submitted), Supplemental Box, last page. No new claims have been added or amended. No claims have been amended. One claim has been cancelled (95). Claim 95 had not been designated to satisfy PCT Article 33(1)-(4), and it was maintained inadvertently in the Preliminary Amendment. The Applicants thank the Examiner for noting that all claims (other than 95, now cancelled) are allowable. Now that claim 95 has been cancelled, all of the claims in the application are allowable. The favor of an early notice of allowance is requested.